



sPHENIX News

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Minutes

Is there a volunteer to take minutes of the meeting for distribution to the sPHENIX mailing list?

Collaboration news

- 5 additional EC members nominated by SP team and approved by IB
 - Jamie Nagle (Boulder)
 - Joern Putschke (Wayne State)
 - Christine Aidala (Michigan)
 - Itaru Nakagawa (RIKEN)
 - Huan Huang (UCLA)
- Planning “sPHENIX census” in the coming weeks
 - What information would be useful for sPHENIX planning/organization?
- Towards CD0: Discussions between ALD and DOE ongoing. SP stressed need for moving forward soon

Collaboration news cntd

- Question of finding a new name for the new collaboration comes up



- Please contact Dave and me by email or in person with any thoughts on the naming issue

Meetings, important dates

- Many TG meetings - please subscribe to mailing lists and contribute
- Weekly simulation meetings - important!
- sPHENIX collaboration meeting: BNL, 5/18-5/20
 - Next IB meeting on 5/19, time tbd
 - Collaboration dinner: 5/19, location tbd. If interested, please sign up:
<http://doodle.com/poll/iexcsvqx4b92pzbb>
- Deadline for response to ALD charge (Baseline detector scope for DOE funding): 5/31
 - SP team met ALD on Monday - confirmed understanding, plan for response
 - Summarize cost-saving ideas for each subsystem: ~today
 - Define 1-2 “best-worst case” configurations: next days
 - First assessment of impact: before collaboration meeting

Extremely tight schedule!

Further reviews

- ALD review of tracker options: Summer/early Fall
 - Discuss timing with ALD next week (not in June!)
 - Planning to organize a micro-workfest to discuss understanding of TPC space charge distortions and corrections next Wednesday
 - Need internal evaluation of tracker options (VTX pxl, MAPS IB, Si Strip tracker) before external tracker review
- Special session at RHIC users meeting on future plans (GR gives 10min talk)
- DOE RHIC S&T review, including sPHENIX presentation: 8/23-8/25

There will likely be reviews of one or the other aspect of sPHENIX every few months; need to develop larger workforce to continuously update software/simulations/physics plots machinery

Upcoming talks

We are getting many requests for sPHENIX speakers at talks and workshops. BNL calling to the faraway towns - need more volunteers!

- RBRC workshop (4/12-4/15) (GR)
- IS2016 (May 23–25) (DPM)
- RHIC/AGS Users' Meeting (June 7–10):overview - (Megan Connors)
- RHIC/AGS Users' Meeting (June 7–10): Jets (Sarah Campbell)
- RHIC/AGS Users' Meeting (June 7–10): HF (Jin Huang)?
- SQM'16 (June 27–July 1, 2016) (Rosi Reed)
- ICNFP2016 (July 6-July 14) (Dennis Perepelitsa)
- **ICHEP (August 3–10) Volunteer?**

Soon we will need to think about HP and QM abstracts!